

British Nature Guide

The Fox

A male Fox is called a Dog, or sometimes a Reynard. A female Fox is called a Vixen. The Dog and Vixen look the same, but the Vixen is slightly smaller. They hunt for small animals and birds and live in holes in the ground called dens. A Fox's long bushy tail is called a brush.



Young Foxes are called cubs. Like all young animals they are inquisitive and playful. When they first come out of their dens they are small and have dark brown fur and are difficult to see. A family of young Foxes is called a litter.



Foxes used to live in the countryside, but now they can be seen in towns and cities as well. They usually come out at night and hide from people. If you are very lucky you might see one.

What do you remember?

A Fox's home is called a _____, a young Fox is called a _____,
a Fox's tail is called a _____, a male Fox is called a _____
and a female Fox is called a _____